

**AGENDA**  
**CELS FACULTY AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEETING**

Tuesday April 27, 2021  
Zoom Virtual Meeting 10:45am

- 1) Call to Order (Dean John Kirby)
- 2) Approval of the Minutes of the September 2, 2020 CELS Faculty and Professional Staff Meeting  
- text available at: <https://web.uri.edu/celsgov/files/CELS-Minutes-2020-9-2-draft-1.pdf>
- 3) Announcements: (Dean Kirby)
  - a) Report by Dean Kirby
  - b) Award of CELS Outstanding Teacher of the Year
  - c) Award of CELS Outstanding Researcher of the Year
  - d) Award of CELS Outstanding Extension Professional of the Year
  - e) Award of CELS Outstanding Administrative Staff Member of the Year
- 4) Elections (CELS Faculty Secretary Prof. Michael Rice)
  - a) Results of Electronic Election of CELS Senators to URI Faculty Senate
    - 1) Thanks to outgoing Senators Richard Burroughs (MAF), Joel Chandlee (CMB), and Bridget Rummele (PLE)
    - 2) Congratulations to new Senators to serve 2021-2024, Emi Uchida (ENRE/NRS), Brian Maynard (PLE), and Lenore Martin (CMB).
  - b) Election for CELS Committee Seats for to serve 2021-2024. See the Election Slate Presented in **Appendix 1**
- 5) Reports of the Standing Committees
  - a) Curriculum Committee (Prof. Rebecca Brown)
  - b) Research Committee (Prof. Niall Howlett)
  - c) Extension and Outreach Committee (Extension Specialist Kate Venturini)
  - d) Space Committee (Prof. Dawn Cardace)
  - e) Commencement Committee (Prof. Jody Camberg)
  - f) Bylaws Committee (Prof. Katherine Petersson). Proposed bylaws changes in **Appendix 2**
  - g) Diversity Committee (Profs. Nelle Couret & Amelia Moore)
- 6) Old Business
- 7) New Business
- 8) Adjournment

***Appendix 1 -- Slate of Candidates for CELS Committees to Serve 2021 to 2024***

- 1) *CELS Curriculum Committee*: Thomas Sproul (ENRE); Alissa Cox (NRS); Rebecca Brown (PSE)
- 2) *CELS Research Committee*: Pengfei Liu (ENRE); David Bidwell (MAF)
- 3) *CELS Cooperative Extension & Outreach Committee*: Rebecca Brown (PLE)
- 4) *CELS Space Committee*: Dawn Cardace (GEO); Thomas Mather (PLE)
- 5) *CELS Commencement Committee*: Jody Camberg (CMB)
- 6) *CELS Bylaws and Review Committee*: Katherine Petersson (FAVS)

## ***Appendix 2 – Proposed Changes to the CELS Bylaws from the Bylaws Committee***

1.3 Departments of CELS. The College of the Environment and Life Sciences has the following departments (University Manual Section 3.21.17):

- 1.3.1 Biological Sciences
- 1.3.2 Cell and Molecular Biology
- 1.3.3 Environmental and Natural Resource Economics
- 1.3.4 Fisheries, Animal and Veterinary Science
- 1.3.5 Geosciences

1.3.6 Landscape Architecture

1.3.67 Marine Affairs

1.3.78 Natural Resources Science

1.3.89 Plant Sciences and Entomology

1.4 Undergraduate Education – The undergraduate programs are administered by the Office of Student Affairs of CELS.

1.4.1 Bachelor of Arts Degree – A four-year undergraduate degree offered by the Departments of Biological Sciences and Marine Affairs in cooperation with the College of Arts and Sciences under the auspices of the Basic Liberal Studies Program.

1.4.2 Bachelor of Landscape Architecture – A four-year undergraduate first professional degree offered by the Department of Landscape Architecture

1.4.23 Bachelor of Science Degree – A four-year undergraduate program leading to a Bachelor of Science degree. The departments offering Bachelor of Science degree programs in the College include all departments of CELS.

1.4.34 Professionally Accredited Undergraduate Programs – Degree programs offered by CELS that are accredited by professional accrediting organizations are:

a) The Bachelor of Science in Medical Laboratory Science is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences

b) The Bachelor of Landscape Architecture accredited by the American Society of Landscape Architects